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As a below named inventor I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:
IMAGE RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, IMAGE REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND
METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIUM ON WHICH IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM IS RECORDED

the specification of which:

UTILITY/DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION

(a) is attached hereto.
 (b) was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____
and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

PCT FILED APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL PHASE

(c) was described and claimed in International Application No. _____ filed _____
and as amended on _____ (if any).

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

(d) no such applications have been filed.
 (e) such applications have been filed as follows:

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO SAID

Country	Application No.	Date of Filing	Date of Issue	Priority Claimed
JAPAN	2000-009371	18/01/2000		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO SAID APPLICATION

CONTINUATION-IN-PART

(Complete This Part Only If This Is A Continuation-In-Part Application)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120, of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this continuation-in-part application:

Application Serial No. Filing Date Status (patented, pending, abandoned)

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